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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 27, 2004

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 27, 2004, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no fee is due with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782WEAT/0416/WBP for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

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